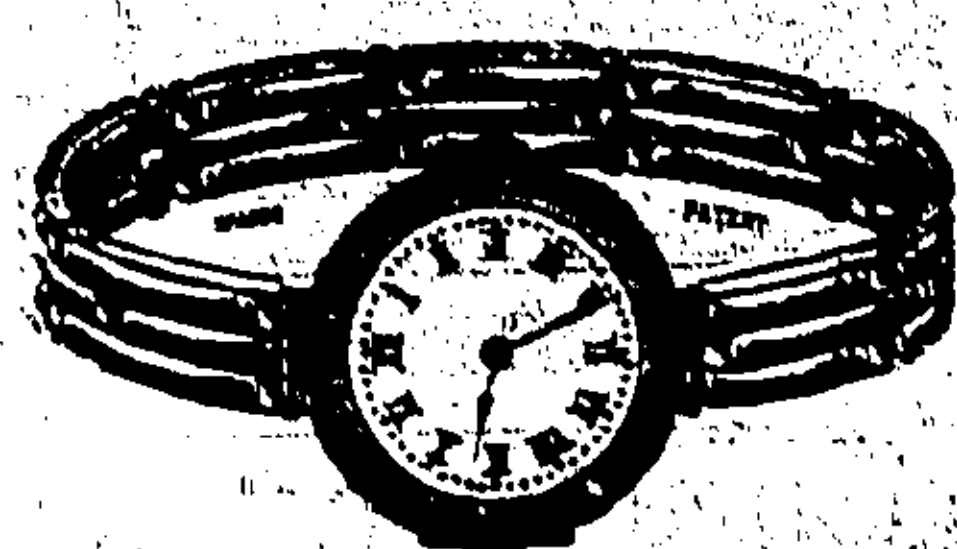


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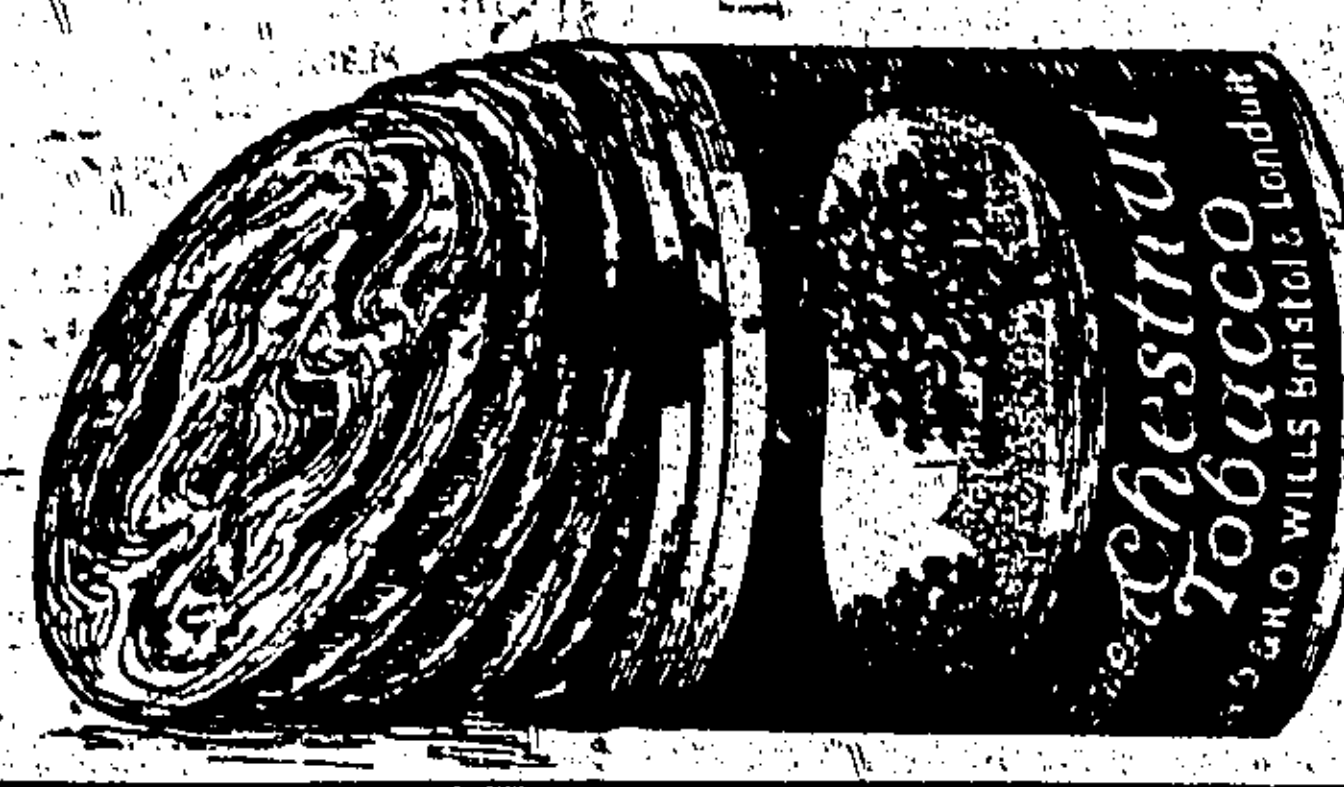
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A PRIME MINISTER'S MEMORIAL

Mr. Asquith on Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman.

Traits and Characteristics.

Mr. Asquith visited Stirling on 1st inst. and there unveiled a bronze statue of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, his predecessor in the office of Prime Minister. Before the unveiling ceremony, Mr. Asquith was presented with the freedom of the Royal Burgh of Stirling, and after it had been performed he delivered an address in the Public Hall, Stirling, on Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's character and achievements.

The Prime Minister and Miss Violet Asquith stayed overnight at the residence of Sir John Graham at Leabrook, and on the following morning they proceeded by motor-car to Stirling, accompanied by their host and hostess. As they were approaching the mining village of Bannockburn four women suffragists ran across the road and endeavoured to stop the car. They were not at first successful, and one of the women then placed herself in a crouching position directly in the way of the vehicle. The driver with difficulty avoided running over her. Detectives who were travelling behind the Prime Minister's car rushed forward and lifted the woman almost from under the bonnet of the car. Her companion, meanwhile, attacked the windows of the car, and one of them threw red pepper into it, while another tried to strike Mr. Asquith with a dog whip. They were overpowered by the police and conveyed by them to the county police office at Stirling. Three of the women are said to have come from Glasgow and one from Edinburgh. The arrangements made at Stirling itself rendered sufficient interruption there impossible.

The Prime Minister's eulogy of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman later in the day was happily and feelingly phrased. He discussed the career of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's success in politics, paying tribute to his sincerity, his stanchness, his humour, his culture, his lack of personal ambition, and his freedom from any touch of malignity towards his opponents.

In his speech in returning thanks for the freedom of Stirling, Mr. Asquith referred to the heavy and growing burden which the Prime Minister, for the time being, is forced to bear, and to the assistance he derives from the knowledge that his fellow-citizens without distinction of party are ready to extend to him their co-operation and good will.

The statue, which is the work of Mr. Paul Montford, who also did the bust of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman in Westminster Abbey, shows him in the robes of the Order of the Bath. On the pedestal are the words: "Campbell-Bannerman, 1836-1908," and underneath is a recumbent female figure representing Peace, with the inscription: "South Africa: An Empire's Tribute."

Mr. Asquith received the freedom of the Guildry in the Ladies' Public Hall. He took the burgess' oath with uplifted hand, swearing to "watch and ward and bear seat and lot with the neighbours and others." Having signed the roll, he was presented with his ticket, enclosed in a silver case.

The company afterwards walked to the temporary stand at the base of the statue. Accompanying the Prime Minister were Miss Asquith, Sir John Graham, Mr. John Burns, M.P., Mr. J. P. O'Connor, M.P., Lord Southdown, and Mr. Arthur Pennington, M.P. A large crowd had collected and Sir John Graham having called "order," the Prime Minister, Mr. Asquith, stepped forward and delivered the address.

The Imperial Parliament and who rendered in his day the most solid and signal service to his country and to the Empire. (Cheers.)

A CHARACTER SKETCH.

After the unveiling ceremony, Mr. Asquith and the other members of the company returned to the Public Hall, where it had been arranged that he should deliver an address. Sir John Graham presided.

The Chairman announced that the following message had been received by cable from General Louis Botha, Prime Minister of South Africa:—

South Africans will always retain a grateful memory of the statesman who had the courage to carry into effect self-government for the Transvaal and Orange Free State, which paved the way to the establishment of the Union of South Africa. I deem it a grand privilege and honour to be associated with the movement in connection with the memorial to Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman.

Mr. Asquith, who was again loudly cheered, said in the course of his speech:—

We are met to commemorate and to do honour to a great statesman and a great Scotman. He used the trust so long and so consistently confided in him by the Stirling Burghs in his service, and unselfish service, of his generation and his country. (Cheers.)

What manner of man was he? How came he to surpass his contemporaries in perhaps the most hardy-constituted competition which our national life offers? Neither question is altogether easy to answer. It is not that he was in any sense a mysterious or elusive character—on the contrary, he had a singularly robust and direct personality. He was not, as he would be the first to say, a man of original genius—at least months of the historic demagogue. He had certainly none of the arts or accomplishments of the historic demagogue. He had not only the most modest estimate of his own capacities, but he was curiously "wasting" in personal ambition. It is a matter of history now, known to many of us at the time and to all the world since, that in the year 1895, when he held the high office of Secretary of State in the Cabinet, he was not only willing, but anxious, on the resignation of Mr. Peel, to become Speaker of the House of Commons.

Though a hard and conscientious worker, he had—at least, to those who knew him well—a streak of natural lothario. (Laughter.) But though he never shrank from giving or receiving blows, he had none of the love of fighting for its own sake which is a source of joy and strength to our more combative politicians. He had, moreover, many other interests in life, with abundant opportunity and means to pursue them, if and when he pleased. He had a real love of books and pictures, with a fine and cultivated sense of literary form. French literature was, perhaps, his favourite recreation, and for many years, if he could snatch a few days' holiday, he was generally to be found in Paris.

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The Volturmo Disaster.

When the oil ship Narragansett, with 20 survivors of the Volturmo on board, came alongside the Anglo-American Oil Company's gaily-decorated wharf at Purfleet on October 16, somebody on the ship answered the cheers of the crowd with the inquiry: "Where did you get your dogs from?" "They came up with the milk in the morning!" shouted a cheery voice on the jetty.

But, alas, for the best of stories (writes a "Daily News" representative), when I met Captain C. L. Harwood on board, the very first thing he did was to repudiate such levity as that indicated in the alleged wireless message from his ship. He brought out his log, detailing talks that he had had by wireless with the Volturmo and other ships. But not a word about "coming with the milk in the morning" could be traced.

A CIRCULAR OF OIL.

"When I got the Carmania's message," said the Captain, "Captain Barr thought I might be too far away to arrive in time, as he did not expect the burning vessel to last the night. But I told him I was coming at full speed, and that I would pump a circle of oil round the Volturmo, which would enable the boats to go backwards and forwards to the vessel safely and quickly."

"I sighted the wreck at five o'clock, ship's time, and got up about an hour later. It was 7.20 when, on the Carmania's advice, I took up a position to the leeward of the burning ship and started pumping oil through two 4-in. hoses. Ten minutes later I launched two lifeboats, one in charge of Chief Officer J. B. Johnson, and the second in charge of Second Officer J. E. Nelson."

"The first boat returned in 40 minutes with 21 survivors, and the second ten minutes later with eight other people they had taken off the wreck. All these people were brought to safety in less than an hour. That shows the use of oil. It is not boats that those who are inquiring into the means of preventing loss of life at sea should study, but oil. Any ocean liner can carry 50 or 100 tons. I was a believer in oil for calming the waters before this; now I swear by it."

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But there is one risk in the use of oil. "If a man falls overboard in the oil-water," said the captain, "he's done; if he swallows a mouthful down he goes."

Captain Harwood added that in addition to the officers, he had mentioned, every man and boy on his ship worked splendidly. "Third Officer F. Jenkins, whose boat was manned ready to go to the rescue, came to me during the night and said, 'Don't forget, sir, I am used to going with lifeboats.' Everybody wanted to go in the boats."

CITIZENS FOR CAPTAIN INCH.

The second boat of the Narragansett, when it had taken on board eight of the last of the emigrants on the Volturmo, stood by while Captain Inch searched the wreck to see if there were any stragglers left. Then, when they saw the captain, the last man to leave the doomed ship, take to the boats. Second Officer Nelson stood up in the stern of the Narragansett's lifeboat and sang out to the crew: "Three cheers for the captain!" "Those were hoarsest given," I believe," remarked Captain Harwood. "That our boat was the only one to give the captain a cheer."

The Thames-side has never given a ship such a welcome as the Narragansett received. Representatives of the National Sailors' and Firemen's Union and the National Union of Ship's Stewards and Cooks got the General Trading-ship's band in the tug which towed the oilship to her berth, and the youngsters brought her in to the strains of "Three Cheers for the Red, White, and Blue," and "A Life on the Ocean Wave," while ship and shore, by means of whistles and down the river.

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MRS. PANKHURST'S TOUR.

Lack of Enthusiasm in New York.

New York, Oct. 30.

In point of attendance at her lectures, the amount of enthusiasm shown, and, possibly, in the matter of financial returns, Mrs. Pankhurst's tour in the United States thus far is apparently not much of a success—at least it is quite safe to say that the results generally are below expectations, if not very disappointing to the militant leader and her followers.

The wide publicity given to her detention and subsequent release by the immigration authorities naturally attracted much attention, but since that episode relatively little interest has been shown by people in New York. The dinner given here by the Women's Political Union in celebration of her release from Ellis Island was fairly well attended by the members of that association, but no members of other organizations were present in noticeable numbers and, with one exception, none of the six other suffrage societies in this city was represented by its president. The exception was the Political Equality League, whose founder and head, Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont, who was Mrs. Pankhurst's hostess, sat at the guests' table. The leading members of the New York women's clubs, too, were conspicuously absent.

Mrs. Pankhurst was cordially received, and her speech was listened to with attention, but the gathering was by no means representative or enthusiastic. The Madison Square Garden meeting, where Mrs. Pankhurst made her first public appearance, was almost a flat failure—some called it a "frost"—as regards attendance. Under 3,000 people, only one-fifth of the normal Garden audience, went to hear her.

After some further publicity owing to the agitation against the "Suffragette" and the voluntary suppression of that paper when the local authorities threatened to take proceedings, Mrs. Pankhurst and her party left on a Western tour. Since then she has been quite forgotten by the Press and public of New York. It may be added that the sale of the "Suffragette" indiscriminately to the public aroused popular indignation and disgust even before the Press and the authorities took up the matter, and did not help "the cause" here. Telegrams from the West do not report any great rush to Mrs. Pankhurst's meetings.

In Cleveland, for instance, only about 1,000 people attended her lecture. Her visit was marked by no particular demonstration, and she remained in seclusion except at the lecture. She visited Dayton, Ohio, upon the invitation, it is understood, of two English-women. No organized effort was made to advertise her lecture there, which was attended by 1,000 or 2,000 men and women, about equally divided.—The Times.

PRINCESS LOUISE'S ANNUITY.

The Duke of Argyll's Income-Tax.

The Duke of Argyll appealed before Mr. Justice Scrutton recently against assessment to superannuation on the annuity of £5,000 granted to his wife, the Princess Louise, by Letters Patent issued by virtue of powers conferred by Parliament on Queen Victoria. The assessment had been affirmed by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue. The Duke contended that the annuity had been granted "free from all taxes and assessments, and charges," though he admitted that he had allowed income-tax to be deducted from the amount "as a matter of grace."

The Attorney-General argued, for the Crown, that while one Act of Parliament had declared the sum free of all taxes, there was another Act which said that any future Act granting an annuity "shall not be construed as exempting the income-tax from the annuity." The Lordship allowed the appeal.

CLERICAL MAYOR OF MERTLE BONE.

The next mayor of Mertle Bone will be the Rev. James Arthur Beaumont, M.A., incumbent of St. John's, St. Peter's, and St. Paul's.

COLONEL OF MERTLE BONE.

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His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class.	Tonn.	Comd.	L.F.P.	Commander.	Last Report.
Alacrity	despatch vessel	1850	2	3000	Comdr. Archibald Cochrane	Canton
Admiral	Admiral's flag	—	—	—	Massey W. West	Hongkong
Bramble	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Comdr. B. S. Pritchard	Shanghai
Bricomart	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Comdr. W. H. Darwall	Shanghai
Cadmus	aloop	970	2	1400	Comdr. H. P. E. T. Williams	Shanghai
Cherub	water tank and tug	380	—	300	Master H. Smith	Hongkong
Cliff	aloop	1070	2	1400	Comdr. Colin Mackenzie, D.S.O.	Shanghai
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	300	—	6700	—	Hongkong
Hamphire	cruiser, 1st class	10,530	10	30,000	Capt. M. R. Hill	Shanghai
Kimha	river gunboat	114	—	1200	Lt.-Comdr. H. D. Murray	Yokohama
Merlin	aloop	1040	—	—	Capt. F. C. G. Pisco	Hongkong
Minotaur	cruiser, 1st class	14,000	—	37,000	Capt. E. B. Kiddle	Hongkong
Moortown	river gunboat	128	2	800	Lt.-Com. Alan Dixon	West River
Newcastle	cruiser, 2nd class	4000	12	22,000	Capt. Frederick A. Powlett	Hongkong
Nightingale	river gunboat	85	1	240	Lt.-Com. Malcolm Murray	Yangtze River
Otter	torpedo boat destroyer	300	—	6300	Lt.-Comdr. R. Wilkinson	Hongkong
Ribble	torpedo boat destroyer	580	—	7500	Lt.-Comdr. R. G. Mackinnon	Hongkong
Rosario	depot ship, submarines	980	—	1400	Comdr. N. E. Archdale	Hongkong
Robin	river gunboats	25	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Nash	West River
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. J. A. S. Hutton	Hongkong
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Maurice E. Leslie	Yangtze River
Taku	torpedo boat destroyer	300	—	6500	Gunner W. H. Byder	Hongkong
Tamar	receiving ship	4000	—	—	Commodore R. H. Astor, C.M.G.	Upper Yangtze River
Teal	river gunboat	120	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. Hon. G. Stopford	Upper Yangtze River
Thistle	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Com. H. R. N. Cottrill-Darmer	Hongkong
Triumph	battleship	11,965	12	12,500	Capt. P. Strickland, M.V.O.	Hongkong
Uk	torpedo boat destroyer	300	—	7500	Lt.-Comdr. Maxwell	Hongkong
Virago	torpedo boat destroyer	350	—	8500	Lt.-Com. Boddam-Whetham	Hongkong
Welland	torpedo boat destroyer	300	—	7500	Comdr. Seymour	Hongkong
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	300	—	8500	Lt.-Comdr. R. Neville	Hongkong
Woodcock	river gunboat	120	2	800	Lt.-Com. J. C. F. Borrett	Upper Yangtze River
Woodlark	river gunboat	120	2	800	Lt.-Com. M. Blackwood	Yangtze River
Yarmouth	light cruiser	150	2	500	Lt.-Comdr. Lloyd	Yangtze River
O.36	submarine	—	—	—	Capt. H. L. Cochrane	Shanghai
O.37	submarine	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. F. J. McGillivray	Hongkong
O.38	submarine	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. J. Gaines	Hongkong
O.39	submarine	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. R. K. O. Pope	Hongkong
O.40	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. Handley	Hongkong
O.41	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. Kilman	West River
O.42	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. Nicol	West River
O.43	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. H. W. Seymour	Hongkong

* Flagship of Vice-Admiral T. H. M. Jernam, C.B., Commander-in-Chief.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and description.	Tonn.	Comd.	Captain.	Last report at.	
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4100	—	Capt. Makovitz	Foochow	
Dupleix †	French armoured cruiser	10,014	30	30,000	Capt. Daralny	Hongkong
Kleber	French armoured cruiser	9730	12	19,000	Capt. Gout	Salgon
Decadée	French gunboat	445	10	7000	Lieut. Yandier	Salgon
Argus	French river gunboat	183	6	570	Lieut. Dordet	Canton
Vigilante	French gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. de Jervillier	Canton
Palto	French gunboat	120	—	Lieut. Collin	Tongsha	
Doudard de Lagree	French gunboat	—	—	Lieut. Dupuy-Dutemps	Tongsha	
† Flagship of Rear-Admiral Colloche de Kock, Commander-in-Chief, the French China Station.						
Lynx	French sub-marine	—	—	Lieut. Bolux	Salgon	
Protee	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Salgon	
* Styr	French armoured gunboat	1700	10	1700	Lieut. Guillaume-Louis	Salgon
Fronde	French destroyer	350	7	300	Lieut. Akfille	Salgon
Iberville	French destroyer	—	—	Capt. de Frigate Roussier	Salgon	
Pistolet	French destroyer	120	7	300	Comdr. de Marquessier	Salgon
Mouquet	French destroyer	307	4	300	—	Salgon
Manche	French surveyor-ship	1625	10	8000	Comdr. Voisin	Salgon
* Flagship of Capt. (Commodore) Boucard, Commander-in-Chief, the local defence force in China.						
London	German cruiser	2000	22	15,500	Capt. v. Roeder	Swatow
Gundeeus	German armoured cruiser	11,000	30	25,000	Capt. Brunninghaus	Tientsin
Illia	German gunboat	800	12	1200	Comdr. v. Gouren	Shanghai
Jaguar	German gunboat	800	12	1200	Comdr. Vandelau	Tientsin
Leipzig	German cruiser	2200	24	11,000	Capt. Becking	Tientsin
Luchs	German gunboat	800	20	1200	Comdr. Bandemann	Tientsin
Nimburg	German cruiser	2400	22	12,500	Capt. Minkler	Tientsin
Otter	German river gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Frie	Tientsin
Scharnhorst	German flagship	11,000	30	25,000	Capt. Lieut.	Tientsin
S. 90	German torpedo-boat	400	4	6500	Capt. Lieut. Berrenburg	Tientsin
Taku	German torpedo-boat	250	4	6000	Capt. v. S. Claussen	Tientsin
Tiger	German gunboat	800	10	1200	Comdr. Ricker	Tientsin
Taiguan	German river gunboat	250	4	1500	Capt. von Miller	Canton
Vaterland	German river gunboat	250	4	600	Capt. v. S. Fries	Shanghai
Calabria	Italian cruiser	2100	—	—	Comdr. Sommi Pionardi	Shanghai
Adamaster	Portuguese cruiser	1700	—	—	Capt. Anibal de S. Dias	Macao
Macao	Portuguese gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Martins	Macao
Patriz	Portuguese gunboat	700	—	—	Captain José de Carvalho Gato	Macao

UNITED STATES VESSELS ATTACHED TO ASIATIC STATION.

U. S. submarines						
1				Ensign E. McQuinn		Cavite
2				Lieut. R. D. McWhorter		Cavite
3				Ensign J. O. Van de Carr		Cavite
4				Ensign O. M. Yates		Cavite
5				Com. W. D. Bristol		Cavite
6				Ensign H. A. Jones		Cavite
7				Lieut. R. H. Hill		Cavite
8				Ensign W. L. Halberg		Cavite
9				Lieut. F. J. Fletcher		Cavite
10				Comdr. S. R. Robinson		Cavite
11				Lieut. C. A. Woodruff		Cavite
12				Lieut. R. H. Green		Cavite
13				Lt. Comdr. R. G. Galt		Cavite
14				Comdr. G. S. Marshall		Cavite
15				Lieut. R. C. Brown		Cavite
16				Lt. W. F. Brown		Cavite
17				Commodore V. T. Owen		Cavite
18				Lieut. H. S. Taylor		Cavite
19				Lieut. E. W. Wallace		Cavite
20				Lieut. J. C. Brown		Cavite
21				Lieut. J. C. Brown		Cavite
22				Lieut. J. C. Brown		Cavite
23				Lieut. J. C. Brown		Cavite
24				Lieut. J. C. Brown		Cavite
25				Lieut. J. C. Brown		Cavite
26				Lieut. J. C. Brown		Cavite
27				Lieut. J. C. Brown		Cavite
28				Lieut. J. C. Brown		Cavite
29				Lieut. J. C. Brown		Cavite
30				Lieut. J. C. Brown		Cavite

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

HOME RULE STRIFE.

CABINET NOT DIVIDED.

Buying Rifles and Enrolling Officers.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

Mr. Birrell, Chief Secretary for Ireland, speaking at Bristol emphatically denied that the Cabinet was divided on the subject of Ulster.

Colonel Hickman, in the course of an address at Wolverhampton, said that he was buying rifles and enrolling past and present Officers of the Army and Navy to help Ulster.

Another telegram states that it is stated that ten thousand were enrolled at the Rotunda, Dublin. A manifesto which has been issued says that Volunteers will form a permanent element of national life under a National Government as a guarantee that the liberties of the Irish people will be secured.

Riotous Scenes in Dublin.

Eight thousand people assembled at the Rotunda, Dublin, to enroll in the Nationalist Volunteer Force. Some of the speakers having employed free labour, the transport workers outside were riotous, and there was some revolver firing. Students exploded fireworks, and windows were smashed.

FRENCH DESTROYER'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Passes Over a Mine Field.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

A telegram from Smyrna states that the French torpedo destroyer *Spahi*, with the French Consul-General and party, was returning from Vourla to Smyrna, and when passing a mine field one of the mines exploded. There was great excitement, but fortunately no one was injured.

MISHAP TO CANADIAN SLOOP.

LONDON, Nov. 25.

The sloop *Albatross*, says a Vancouver telegram which was ordered to proceed to the west coast of Mexico, has now returned, having lost a propeller.

BOXING IN NEW YORK.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

Freddie Welsh outboxed and out-boxed Phil Bloom in a ten-round contest, telegraphs Reuter's New York correspondent.

JACK JOHNSON AS WRESTLER.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

Jack Johnson, the pugilist, appeared at a music hall in Paris as a catch-as-catch-can wrestler, defeating a German named Urbach in two falls.

ESPIONAGE IN EUROPE.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

A telegram from Bern states that the Swiss Government has ordered the expulsion of Captain Laguerre, the French Military Officer attached to the French Ministry for War, and also his alleged accomplices, Menozzi and Rossetti, in connection with the charges of espionage in Italy to the detriment of Italy, Switzerland, and Germany.

TROPICAL AGRICULTURE.

College Scheme Making Progress.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

The London Committee, under Colonel Sir Henry E. McCullum, has drawn up a scheme for the establishment of a college of Tropical Agriculture, which will now be considered. Ceylon has asked Professor Wyndham Dunstan, who is about to visit Ceylon, to represent it on the Committee, and to confer with the Board of Agriculture, and also the Ceylon Planters' Association with reference to details. The financial sub-committee, which has been soliciting the support of planting and other commercial firms in England, has made such satisfactory progress, that it is hoped to give effect to the scheme in the course of 1914.

THE MONGOLIAN MISSION TO RUSSIA.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

The Mongolian Mission has been to Russia. The Russian Court is studying the proposals of the mission.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

CONTINUED INDIAN UNREST IN SOUTH AFRICA.

EXCHANGE OF VIEWS IN PROGRESS.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

Indians have broken out at Esperanza, on the south coast of Natal. In a collision with the police three Indians were killed and 20 wounded.

Reuter's agency has been informed that an exchange of views is in progress between the Indian and the Colonial Offices. The latter is communicating with the Union regarding the Viceroy's Memorandum.

Sir Louis Botha's announcement is viewed in official circles as sound and fair, and much is hoped from the mission of General Smuts to Natal. The situation, however, is regarded as being full of difficulties, and not one for Imperial interference. The real need is exercise of moderation, more especially as both sides from their own points of view are in the right.

Strong Criticism.

Mr. Hamar Greenwood, M.P., speaking at the West Indian Club, deplored the ignorance of members of the Cabinet of the conditions existing in the Dominions. Nothing was brought with greater danger than the hasty, and sometimes abusive criticism of General Botha in reference to the Indians, and it was not in the interests of Imperial unity that the head of the Union Government should be berated in a public dispatch by the Viceroy.

The Colour Bar.

Sir G. C. M. Birdwood, in a letter to *The Times*, states that the great error of the Indians has been in associating themselves with Central African blacks and complaining of the colour bar. He says that the Hindu caste system is imprigably based upon the colour bar.

A Modus Vivendi Possible.

It is pointed out that Mr. Fischer saw Lord Crewe and Mr. Harcourt on the subject. Moreover, it is stated, publicly, that a *modus vivendi* is possible if the Indians are moderate. Therefore it is felt that while the just grievances of the Indians are admitted it is not in their interest to raise fresh grievances, and keep changing ground. On the other hand a declaration on the Indian side that South Africa promised an amendment to the law which was not carried out has given Indians an excuse for a strike which would otherwise be wanting. Mr. Fischer when in London emphasised to the Imperial Government that the suggestion of an Indian enquiry would be interfering in internal affairs, and would thus be unwelcome.

The Viceroy's Sympathy.

The Viceroy, in a speech at Madras, reviewing the position of affairs regarding the Indians in South Africa, and their passive resistance said, "In all this they have the deep and burning sympathy of India, and also of those who, like myself, without being an Indian, sympathise with the people of the country." He concluded, "Although the allegations of the ill-treatment of Indians are denied, even the denial contained admissions rendering it imperative that the Union shall appoint an impartial Committee of Inquiry upon which Indians shall be represented."

Imprisonment of Leaders.

A Delhi telegram states that the arrest of Mr. West, editor of *Indian Opinion*, Durban, is regarded as a severe blow to the Indian community of South Africa, placing them at a severe disadvantage.

From India to Report.

In view of the imprisonment of most of the Indian leaders and the consequent feeling in India, the Rev. P. C. Andrews, of St. Stephen's College, Delhi, an intimate friend of the poet Tagore, leaves immediately for South Africa to ascertain the facts and report upon the situation.

Appeal by Indians in the United Kingdom.

The Indian residents of the United Kingdom have approached Mr. H. Harcourt, the Colonial Secretary, with a request to receive a deputation with reference to the South African position. Mr. Harcourt has replied, regretting that he is unable to receive a deputation, but that he is quite prepared to receive any deputation in writing.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BRITISH TRADE IN CHINA.

AN INTERESTING SUGGESTION.

LONDON, Nov. 27.

Mr. Arthur Bennett, writing from Yunnanfu to *The Times*, urges that measures should be taken in view of the widespread and perfect organisation of American and German agencies, to secure Great Britain a larger share of Chinese contracts. He suggests that the office of Commercial Attaché shall be divided into three, and an Attaché with full staff stationed at Peking, Canton and Shanghai, and that each Attaché shall be assisted by twenty to thirty agents in the provincial capitals and chief ports. *The Times*, in its comment upon the letter, says that during the recent years of exceptional activity there has been a growing disposition to pick and choose orders from the most secure and most remunerative sources. This accounts for much of our lost headway in China. The pendulum is now on the downward swing, and such a vast market can no longer be left to the foreigner.

BRITISH FLEETS IN EGYPT.

LONDON, Nov. 27.

The British fleets have left Alexandria and Port Said for the Pinaeus. Lord Kitchener and an assembly of prominent Cairo residents attended a ball given to the Fleets on the eve of their departure by the British residents of Alexandria.

JOHANNESBURG STRIKE RIOTERS SENTENCED.

LONDON, Nov. 27.

A Johannesburg telegram states that ten persons have been sentenced there to terms of imprisonment ranging from nine months to four years for the parts they played in the strike riots in July.

NO SECOND BALLOT FOR NEW ZEALAND.

LONDON, Nov. 27.

The Bill repealing the Second Ballot Elections in New Zealand has passed the House of Representatives.

MR. A. CHAMBERLAIN THE GUEST OF MR. CHURCHILL.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

The *Times* states that Mr. Austen Chamberlain will be the guest of Mr. Winston Churchill, on board the Admiralty yacht, *Enchantress*, after the launch of the oil Dreadnought, *Warspite*, at Devonport.

Political circles are much interested in the meeting, owing to the similarity of views of Mr. Churchill and Mr. Chamberlain upon the federal solution of the Irish problem.

LATER.

The "Warspite" Launched.

The battleship "Warspite" was successfully launched at Devonport. The ship was christened by Mrs. Austen Chamberlain. Mr. Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, was among those witnessing the ceremony.

THE VICEROYALTY OF INDIA.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

The *Times*, discussing the question of the Viceroyalty of India, says that Lord Hardinge's official career was never intended to end with the Viceroyalty. It is generally believed that he will in due course return to the diplomatic service, probably as Ambassador to Paris, and circumstances may necessitate his doing so considerably earlier than the end of 1915. There is general agreement that should Lord Kitchener again become a candidate for the Viceroyalty, the post would not again be given another.

CHINESE NEWS.

(Wah Yee Yee Po's Service.)

PEKING, Nov. 26.

Chinese Ministers in Foreign countries have been notified to keep a sharp look out upon the movements of rebel refugees.

The general meeting of the commercial community has been postponed till March next year. The Foreign Department has requested the railway in view of the decrease of traffic.

The British Ministry has suggested that the Chinese Ministry should send a deputation to the British Ministry to discuss the question of the railway.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Wah Yee Yee Po's Service.)

STANDARD OIL SHEKING CONCESSIONS IN JEHOL.

PEKING, Nov. 27.

A representative of the Standard Oil Company has approached the Foreign Department asking for a concession to develop the oil fields of Jehol, in return for which the company offers to loan a big sum to the government.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

FIGHTING IN MEXICO.

Big Victory for the Rebels.

LONDON, Nov. 27.

A New York cable states that the Insurgent General reports that a great battle has taken place to the south of Juarez. The rebels were headed by an overwhelming superiority of Federal artillery but succeeded in routing the Federal troops and capturing all their guns. According to the statement of a Federal officer the rebels executed thirty Federal volunteers.

Hospitals Crowded with Wounded.

LATER.

Seven hundred Federal prisoners have arrived at Juarez. The hospitals are crowded with wounded.

MARRIAGE AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

President Wilson's daughter, Jessie, was married to Mr. Francis Sayre, of New York, at the White House, Washington. There was a brilliant assemblage of the "Four hundred," including Ambassadors in uniform.

The bride and bridegroom are both energetic social workers. The bride gave up her ambition to become a foreign mission secretary at the instance of her family, and Mr. Sayre has abandoned legal work and becomes an educationalist.

The Word "Obey" Omitted.

The word "obey" was omitted from the marriage service of President Wilson's daughter, which was Presbyterian.

DEATH OF A FAMOUS ASTRONOMER.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

The death is announced of the famous astronomer, Sir R. S. Ball. (Note: Sir R. Ball, who did much to popularise astronomy, was born at Dublin in 1840, was Lecturer in Professor of Astronomy and Geometry, Cambridge; Director of the Cambridge Observatory since 1892; Royal Astronomer of Ireland, 1874-92; Scientific Adviser to the Commissioners of Irish Lights from 1884; ex-President of the Royal Astronomical Society; ex-President of the Mathematical Association; and ex-President of the Royal Zoological Society of Ireland. Ed., "C.M.")

LARKIN AND HIS METHODS CONDEMNED.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

Mr. Ashton, Secretary of the Miners' Federation, has issued a statement condemning Larkin, the strike agitator, and his methods. He says that a national strike would be a silly thing.

A YEAR'S STRIKES IN BRITAIN.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

The history of the strikes and lock-outs of 1912 in Great Britain, which is set forth in the annual volume issued by the Department of Labour Statistics at the Board of Trade, is dominated by the great dispute in the coal-mining industry, as the result of which 1713, 244, 000 men, for the first time, were out of work for a year in which the largest number of men have been out of work since the strike of 1902.

The report contains an interesting study of the causes of the strikes and lock-outs, and of the methods of settling disputes. It also contains a list of the names of the men who were out of work for a year, and of the names of the men who were out of work for a year.

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ARREST OF A COURTESAN.

New York, Friday, Oct. 31.

Countess Ida von Gleason, a beautiful woman, who has gained a certain amount of fame as a Labour advocate, was charged to day at one of the New York police courts with threatening to shoot her lawyer, Mr. Charles Sturges.

Mr. Sturges has acted for her at various times, including the occasion of her divorce several years ago. On the application of his brother, the magistrate appointed two stipends to inquire into her sanity. It is stated that she has recently made wild statements concerning public men. Countess Ida von Gleason has made several visits to England, and last April her engagement to an Englishman was announced, but the engagement was afterwards broken off.

She expressed extremely radical views on labour questions, but declared that she was not a Socialist.

PLAGUE IN KOBE.

Disease Believed to be Extirpated.

The operations for disinfection and catching of rats at Inagaki-dori, 5 and 6 chomei Kobe, where many plague-infected rats were possibly disposed, have been completed, and neither there nor in the adjoining streets, where they were extended, have any plague-infected rats been found since the 15th instant. It is now considered that the disease has been stamped out. For the purpose of exterminating local rats, the authorities have arranged to encourage rat-catching by means of a lottery. Only plague-infected rats are qualified for prizes. A ticket will be given for each rat destroyed, and when the rats destroyed by the police have reached 5,000 in number, lots will be drawn for one ¥60 prize, four ¥5.00 prizes and six of ¥3. Roadside speeches are also to be delivered, encouraging the people to catch rats. — Japan Chronicle.

A NEWS SERVICE Laid On.

The News Service, a London and Provincial institution, which was founded in the City of London in 1839, celebrated its 74th anniversary recently, when its friends and supporters dined together at the Royal Hotel, York, and the News Service was laid on. The News Service is a non-profit-making institution, and its object is to provide a service for the news of the world. It is a service which is of great value to the public, and it is a service which is of great value to the news of the world.

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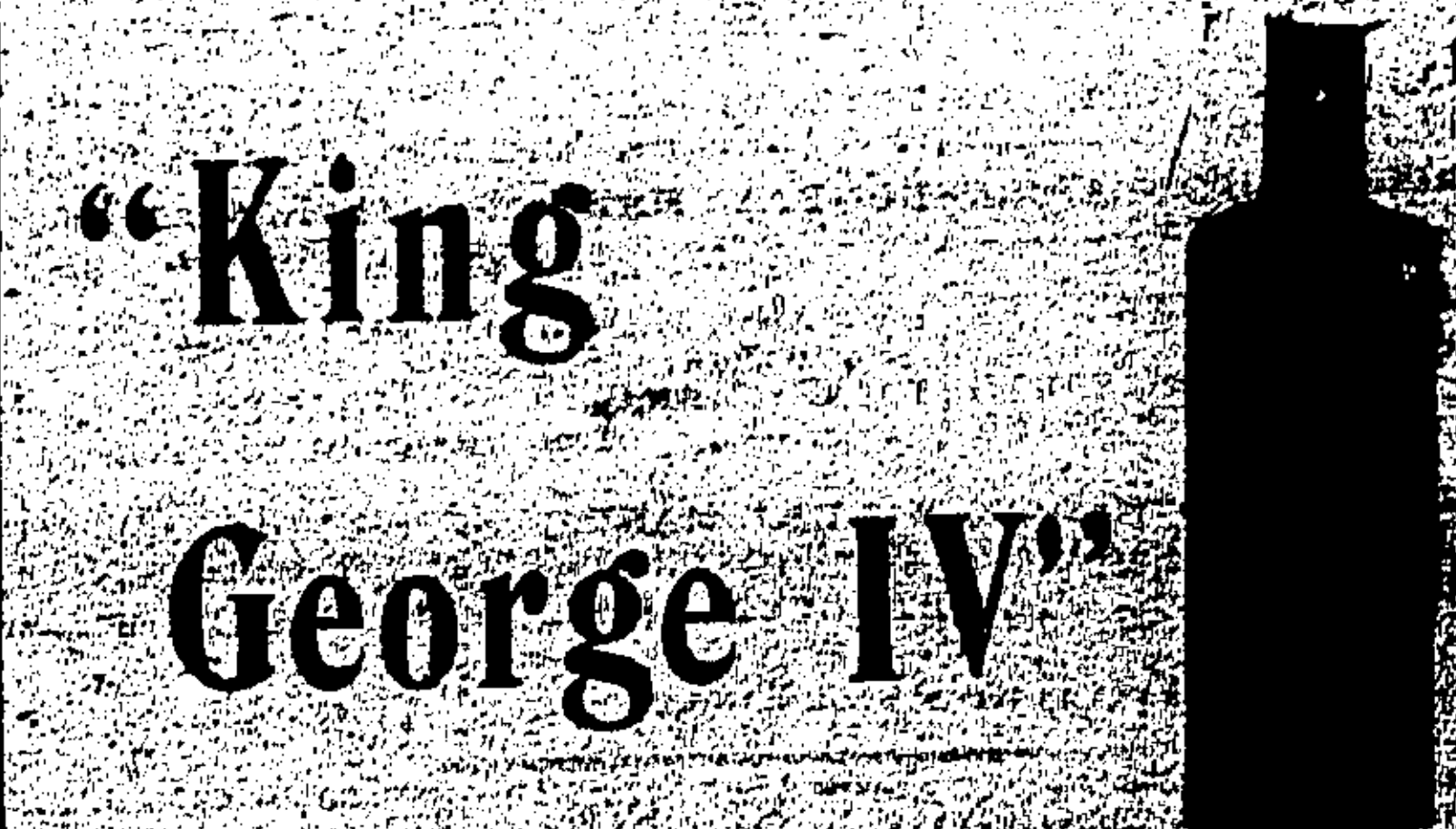
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